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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, BEXP, MA, US

SUBJ:LOCKHEED HERCULES NEGOTIATIONS WITH MADAGASCAR

REF: ANT 0389

1. TWO SEPARATE, WELL-PLACED DAO SOURCES HAVE REPORTED THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE SUPREME REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL HAVE FORMALLY DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH THE PURCHASE OF TWO LOCKHEED HERCULES L-100-20'S . IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO DROP FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS THE PASSENGER AND VIP MODULES, BUT TO RETAIN THE MAFFS FIREFIGHTING SYSTEMS AND THE OPTIONAL NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT. THE COMMANDER OF THE AERONAVAL FORCES HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN PLACED IN CHARGE OF THE PROJECT. IF LOCKHEED EXTENDS THE TERMS OF ITS LATEST PROPOSAL, WHICH EXPIRED APRIL 30, THE CONTRACT I NOW WORTH SLIGHTLY MORE THAN \$26,000,000.

2. THE GDRM HAS NOT INFORMED THE EMBASSY OF ITS DECISION. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES ARE BEING CONDUCTED THROUGH COMMERCIAL MEANS.
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